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SENATOR AGUILAR: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the body. Just briefly, I'll kind of run over again what my amendment does. The bill that Senator Hudkins introducing has a specific purpose for...and works well for Lincoln and Omaha airports, however, for primary airports, which are also Grand Island, Kearney, and Scottsbluff, we're going to drop below our ten thousand dol...10,000-person boarding limit, which would cause us to lose our primary classification. What happens when we lose our primary classification is, we have to draw down from a different pool of money to finish some of our major projects that are going on. And when that happens we take away monies from all the other small airports in Nebraska. We want to just...we want to not have to do that, we want to use our own pile of money, and remain in the primary classification. And we can do so with my amendment because it allows you to go back five years and count your 10,000 boardings. That's kind of the synopsis of it. I'll try to answer any questions, if there is any at this time. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Senator Aguilar. Debate on the amendment? Seeing no debate, Senator Aguilar, you're recognized to close on your amendment. He waives that opportunity. Question before the body is the adoption of the Aguilar amendment. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Aguilar's amendment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Erdman, you're recognized for a motion.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move the advancement of LB 446 to E & R for engrossing.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: You've heard the motion. The question